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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114 Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Attorney Docket	GRUE-004
	Confirmation No.	6100
	First Named Inventor	SUTTER, GERD
	Application Number	10/532,067
	Filing Date	December 28, 2005
	Group Art Unit	1648
	Examiner Name	Hurt, Sharon L.
	Title	"RECOMBINANT MVA STRAINS AS POTENTIAL VACCINES AGAINST P. FALCIPARUM MALARIA"

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination. This amendment is responsive to the final Office Action dated October 27, 2008 for which a three-month period for response was given, making this response due on January 27, 2009. *Applicants petition for a three-month extension of time, making this amendment due on April 27, 2009.* Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

In view of the remarks put forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.